

35th Ikaros International Chess Tournament 2012

Aegean Open Championship 2012

(7-15 July 2012, Agios Kirykos, Ikaria island, GREECE)

Venue: Athletic Center of Agios Kirykos, Ikaria island¹, Greece.

Dates: 7-15 July 2012.

Playing System: Nine (9) Rounds Swiss. FIDE rules apply.

Rate of play: Ninety (90) minutes plus 30 seconds per move (from move 1) for the completion of the game for each player. Players that do not show up for their game after one (1) hour from the official start of a round are be forfeited.

Schedule:	1 st Round:	Saturday	07/7	7.00 p.m.
	2 nd Round:	Sunday	08/7	7.00 p.m.
	3 rd Round:	Monday	09/7	11.00 a.m.
	4 th Round:	Monday	09/7	7.00 p.m.
	5 th Round:	Tuesday	10/7	7.00 p.m.
	6 th Round:	Wednesday	11/7	7.00 p.m.
	7 th Round:	Thursday	12/7	7.00 p.m.
	8 th Round:	Friday	13/7	7.00 p.m.
	9 th Round:	Saturday	14/7	11.00 a.m.
	Prize Giving:	Sunday	15/7	11.00 a.m.

Tie-breaks:

1. Bucholtz
2. Median Bucholtz
3. Number of wins
4. Sum of progressive scores

Prizes: The prizes will be € 3000 in total and will be shared as follows:

General Standings:		Special Categories:	
1 st winner	€ 800	1 st Lady	€ 300
2 nd winner	€ 500	2 nd Lady	€ 160
3 rd winner	€ 200	3 rd Lady	€ 100
4 th winner	€ 160	4 th Lady	€ 60
5 th winner	€ 130	5 th Lady	€ 30
6 th winner	€ 100	1 st Veteran	€ 130
7 th winner	€ 80	2 nd Veteran	€ 80
8 th winner	€ 60	3 rd Veteran	€ 40
9 th winner	€ 40		
10 th winner	€ 30		

Important Note 1: The female and veteran players, who are eligible for two money-prizes (general standings and special category), receive both **prizes**, one from the general standings and one from the special category. Cup prizes and medals will be awarded to

¹ Ikaria is an island situated in the eastern Aegean Sea the name of which was inspired by the myth of Ikaros, a young Greek that died in the region in an attempt to fly on wings made from wax fleeing from the Cretan King Minos. For information about Ikaria island see: <http://www.island-ikaria.com/>, <http://www.nikaria.gr>, <http://www.ikariamag.gr>

all winners of the tournament. Medals will also be awarded to the three best juniors and girls in the categories below 20, 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 08 years of age.

Important Note 2: The money-prizes are divided according to the **Hort system** among the players with the same final score. (With Hort system every player gets first 50% of the prizes according to his rank. The other 50% are distributed uniformly within a scoregroup over the players).

Winners of the Aegean Championship:

The first Greek male and female chess players – members of chess clubs in the Aegean region - will be declared the Man and Woman Aegean Champion 2012 respectively.

Entry Fee:

The entry fee for the Aegean Open Championship 2012 is € 50 (for players below 20 years of age and Members of chess clubs in the Aegean region € 30).

This fee does not apply to holders of international titles (GM, IM, FM, WGM, WIM, WFM), chess-players that have already qualified, members of the Ikaria Chess Club and Ikarian chess-players regardless of the club they belong to.

3rd Mediterranean Rapid Team Tournament “Ikaros” 2012:

The Mediterranean Rapid Team Tournament is a rapid Swiss tournament for teams. Participation is open to teams coming from the chess federations of the countries of the Mediterranean Sea. Further details will be announced in a complementary announcement.

Participation Fees:

Ikaros International Chess Tournament celebrates its 35th edition this year. For this reason the organizers will offer a 20% discount over normal prices for all participants that will have entered their participation for the event by the 30th of June 2012 -the latest- The special discount offer includes:

1. Accommodation costs (in double room, the board (food) expenses, meals, breakfast etc are **Not** included)
2. Entry fee.
3. Transportation (by bus) from the Therma and Aghios Kirykos (i.e. the places where participants reside during the tournament) to the playing venue 30 minutes prior the beginning of each round.
4. Transportation (by bus) from and to the port of Evdilos at the day of the scheduled arrival (7/7) and departure (15/7) of the group of chess players from Ikaria in case this is necessary due to the ferry schedule.

The special price is set at € **200 per person** (instead of € 250 the previous years) for the period from the 7th until the 15th of July.

Players requesting for some special room conditions or wish to spend some extra days in Ikaria should notify the organizers in advance. Additional fees will be charged according to the conditions requested.

For **families** (at least 3 members), four-member (at least) **club teams**, **junior players under the age of 20**, **natives of the Aegean region** and **unemployed persons** (bearing a valid unemployment card) the special price is set to € **175 per person** for the period from the 7th until the 15th of July.

Participants who will **pay in advance** (until 30th of June 2012) the special price for the period 7th till 15th of July becomes **€ 190 per person**, while for **those** who are **eligible for the family discount** (i.e., families, juniors, club teams, natives, etc.) the respective special price for the period 7th till 15th of July becomes **€ 165 per person**. The amount due should be deposited **until the 30th of June 2012** through bank transfer to the account **077/947995-31** of **National Bank of Greece** (the account is in the name of **Mr. Kosmas Kefalos**, IBAN: **GR91 0110 0770 0000 0779 4799 531**, SWIFT CODE (BIC) **ETHNGRAA**). Participants should hold a copy of their deposit receipt (including the name of the participant) and present it to the organization committee upon arrival at Ikaria.

Note 1: The above prices apply also for the accompanying persons, regardless whether they participate or not in the tournament.

Note 2: Participants wishing to pay on-site at Ikaria should pay in cash (no credit cards are accepted)

Conditions to GMs/WGMs, and IMs/WIMs:

For a limited number of titled players (**GMs/WGMs**, the **IMs/WIMs**), and the players that have qualified from preliminary events, the organization committee covers for:

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Additionally **GMs** and **WGMs** will receive **€ 1 (one euro)** for every rating point above 2300 (based on FIDE rating list of July 2012).

Transportation to Ikaria:

Ikaria can be reached either by ferry (from Piraeus, Mykonos or Samos) or by plane (from Athens, Thessaloniki and Heraklion). For details check with your travel agent or contact the organization committee for additional info.

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